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TITLE: SHAFT-HUB CONNECTION

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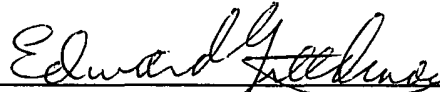
Applicants are enclosing Form PTO-1449 disclosing two (2) references. These references were uncovered during the examination procedure of the corresponding German priority application. An English abstract of *DE 41 18 941 C2* is enclosed.

*DE 2 031 142 B2* discloses a coupling for securing a hub having an annular groove and a conical mouth piece. The mouth piece is provided with a pressure ring having a corresponding conical bore. The pressure ring can be tensioned by three bolts which are arranged in bores of the pressure ring. The hub has an annular recess for accommodating a strip having the form of a ring. The strip is made from a material which is harder than the material of the shaft. Moreover, the strip is provided at its inner and outer surfaces with a knurling (groove toothing) which is pressed both into the hub and the shaft when the pressure ring

is tensioned (fastened) for the first time.

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Respectfully submitted,  
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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
							YES	NO
	AL	41 18 941 C2	12/1992	Germany (+ English Abstract)				
	AM	2 031 142 B2	12/1971	Germany				
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## OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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